## **FOREWORD**

Alaska's fisheries are valuable, renewable public resources. With your participation as a fisherman or processor in Alaska's groundfish fisheries, you assume responsibility for preserving these resources and for contributing to effective management through thoughtful fishing practices, accurate reporting of harvest and products, and by complying with the fisheries regulations.

The objective of this manual is to provide information necessary for you to record and report day-to-day groundfish fishing and/or processing activity under Federal regulations.

Information in this manual as well as in the regulations at 50 CFR 679 are subject to change during the year as amendments to regulations become effective.

We encourage you to keep your copy of the regulations up-to-date. The best method is to check daily the NMFS ALASKA REGION HOME PAGE for notices of revision and addition. All pertinent regulations are on the HOME PAGE and revisions in the regulations are marked in red for easy reference.

Or use one of these easy methods to request a current copy of the regulations::

- ! Request a copy on a disk. Mail a blank, formatted 5-1/4 inch or a 3-1/2 inch disk to NMFS in Juneau (see ADDRESSES).
  - ! Request by telephone: 907-586-7228 FAX: 907-584-7465

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## PUBLIC REPORTING BURDEN STATEMENT

Public reporting burden for the recordkeeping and reporting requirements described in this document are given below and include the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to: NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service, Alaska Region, Attn: Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802.

U.S. Vessel activity report Check-in/check-out report	14 min./report	Catcher Vessel DFL groundfish: trawl gear Buying Station daily cumulative logbook	18 min./day 23 min./day
Catcher/Processor, Mothership	7 min./report	Mothership DCPL	31 min./day
Shoreside Processor	8 min./report	Shoreside processor DCPL	24 min./day
Weekly production report	17 min./report	Catcher/processor DCPL groundfish/IFQ:	·
Daily production report	11 min./report	longline and pot gear	41 min./day
Product transfer report	11 min./report	Catcher/processor DCPL groundfish: trawl gear	30 min./day
Catcher Vessel DFL groundfish/IFQ:			
longline and pot gear	28 min./day		

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Before completing these forms please note the following: 1) Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number; 2) This information is mandatory and is required to manage commercial fishing effort in the GOA and BSAI under 50 CFR 679 and under 402(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801) *et. seq.*); 3) Responses to this information request are confidential under section 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801, <u>et seq.</u>). It is also confidential under NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, which sets forth procedures to protect confidentiality of fishery statistics. These procedures have been implemented under the NMFS Operations Manual entitled, "Data Security Handbook for the Northwest-Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service."

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